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- A Chinese national was charged in U.S. court with trying to obtain large quantities of carbon fiber, a restricted high-tech material used for military purposes. – *Associated Press* (See item [11](#))
- U.S. Cyber Command's top intelligence officer accused China of persistent efforts to pierce Defense Department computer networks. – *Reuters* (See item [39](#))
- U.S. intelligence agencies linked the attack on the U.S. mission in Libya that killed the Ambassador and three other U.S. officials to terrorism led by militants with ties to al-Qa'ida. – *Washington Post* (See item [41](#))
- Adobe warned that an internal server with access to its digital certificate code signing infrastructure was hacked by “sophisticated threat actors” engaged in “highly targeted attacks.” – *ZDNet* (See item [46](#))
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Energy Sector

1. *September 28, Associated Press* – (Utah) **Utah mine operator to pay nearly \$1M in fines.** The operator of the Utah mine that collapsed in 2007, killing nine people, has reached a \$949,351 settlement with the federal Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) over safety violations. Genwal Resources Inc., an affiliate of Ohio-based Murray Energy Corp., denied September 27 that any of the violations led to the deadly collapse, which leveled a section of the Crandall Canyon mine as large as 63 football fields. From the start, the Murray Energy chief insisted the cave-in was triggered by a natural earthquake. The MSHA chief disputed the earthquake theory and said Genwal admitted it thinned a coal barrier it should have left standing to hold up the mine. He said the company also failed to revise a roof control plan after ignoring early signs of trouble. Genwal accepted 17 safety violations, with 4 of them contributing to the cave-in, he said. The agency dropped another 3 violations related to the collapse of a coal pillar in another section of the mine 5 months earlier. The \$949,351 fine was the third largest ever assessed for a U.S. coal mining operation, said the U.S. Department of Labor's chief lawyer.

Source: http://www.lompocrecord.com/news/national/utah-mine-operator-to-pay-nearly-m-in-fines/article_fe05a87e-caf6-568b-97c2-db9ea818ab2a.html

2. *September 27, Houston Chronicle* – (Maryland; National) **BP pays \$210,000 after failing EPA test.** BP Products North America will pay \$210,000 and create enhanced oil spill response programs at all of its U.S. oil facilities under the terms of a consent agreement announced September 27. The Department of Justice (DOJ) had alleged BP violated federal regulations for emergency oil spill response at its Curtis Bay Terminal in Maryland, according to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The EPA said the company twice failed to pass unannounced oil-spill exercises administered by the EPA and U.S. Coast Guard. BP was unable to contain a small-scale discharge of fuel from the facility in the time allotted for the test. As a condition of the DOJ's ruling, BP Products must review its response plans and perform training, drills, and exercises above standard requirements. "Being prepared to respond to an oil spill can be the difference between dealing with a small, contained event or a full-blown environmental disaster," the assistant administrator for EPA's Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance said in a statement. BP's 12 "high-risk" and marine petroleum facilities also will be independently audited to make sure emergency response tactics are up to par.

Source: <http://fuelfix.com/blog/2012/09/27/582111/>

3. *September 27, Houma Today* – (Louisiana) **Explosives not compromised in local fire, officials say.** An oilfield services building in Houma, Louisiana, caught fire September 27 after a welding spark ignited insulation, officials said. The blaze did not release any chemicals or radiation. The fire at the oilfield-service facility was reported as two buildings on fire, one of which contained explosives, a Terrebonne sheriff's major said. The explosives in one of the buildings were in containers specifically designed to protect them. During the fire, the explosives remained fully contained. Firefighters from multiple departments responded, as well as both Lafourche and Terrebonne

sheriffs' offices.

Source: <http://www.houmatoday.com/article/20120927/ARTICLES/120929686>

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Chemical Industry Sector

4. ***September 27, KOCO 5 Oklahoma City*** – (Oklahoma) **Noble County sheriff: 19 train cars derail near Perry.** Fire crews from Perry, Oklahoma, responded to a multi-car train derailment involving hazardous chemicals about 4 miles north of town September 27, fire officials said. The Noble County sheriff said 19 cars of a Burlington Northern Santa Fe train derailed about 4 miles north and 4 miles east of Perry. He said one of the cars leaked hydrogen peroxide, however, crews wetting it down believed the leak was contained. There was limited impact on people as there is only one house in the area and it is vacant, the sheriff said. The railroad company's HAZMAT crew responded, he noted.

Source: <http://www.koco.com/news/oklahomanews/around-oklahoma/Noble-County-Sheriff-19-train-cars-derail-near-Perry/-/12530084/16764700/-/fr7lkwz/-/index.html>

5. ***September 27, Associated Press*** – (Montana; National) **EPA pushes tough asbestos standard for Mont. town.** A proposed standard for federal cleanup of asbestos contamination in a Montana town concludes that even a tiny amount of the material can lead to lung problems — a benchmark far more rigorous than any in the past, and one the industry says could force expensive and unnecessary cleanups across the country. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) new proposal for Libby, Montana, where asbestos dust has killed hundreds of people, would be 5,000 times stricter than the standard used in past cleanups addressing airborne asbestos. W.R. Grace & Co., the Maryland chemical company blamed for pollution from its vermiculite mine that operated for decades, argued sites across the country could be subjected to costly cleanups. The ongoing Superfund cleanup in Libby has cost at least \$447 million since 1999 and is expected to last several more years. Experts said the EPA proposal is a move long sought by advocates and fiercely resisted by the industry. However, the Government Accountability Office has said the cleanup standard could affect some of the 200-plus industrial sites in 40 States that also received asbestos-tainted vermiculite from Grace's Montana mine. Federal agencies have also questioned the plan. They said the low threshold falls below even background asbestos levels seen in parts of the country. The EPA is to make a final decision on the standard for Libby sometime in 2013.

Source: <http://www.wistv.com/story/19659185/epa-pushes-tough-asbestos-standard-for-mont-town>

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials and Waste Sector

6. *September 27, Florence Times Daily* – (Alabama) **Browns Ferry lost ability to monitor earthquakes.** From August 17 to September 15, earthquake monitoring equipment at Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant in Athens, Alabama, was not working, according to a report the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) filed with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), the Florence Times Daily reported September 27. TVA reported that the malfunction could have hampered Browns Ferry’s ability to declare and respond to an earthquake, “because the declarations would be based on personnel feeling an earthquake.” The unavailability of the seismic monitoring instrumentation also could have hampered the plant’s ability to determine whether an earthquake required a shutdown, TVA said in its report to the NRC. TVA said it fixed the problem when it discovered it September 15. All three Browns Ferry reactors are under increased scrutiny by the NRC. Unit 1 is operating under a “red” finding, the most severe safety rating short of a mandatory shutdown.

Source: <http://timesdaily.com/stories/Browns-Ferry-lost-ability-to-monitor-earthquakes,196374>

7. *September 26, Associated Press* – (Arizona) **Man with fake ID arrested at Arizona nuclear plant.** Authorities said an illegal immigrant working for a construction company was arrested for trying to enter the grounds of the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station in Wintersburg, Arizona, with fake identification, the Associated Press reported September 26. Maricopa County sheriff’s officials said the man was being held on suspicion of using false identification and criminal trespass onto a commercial nuclear generating station. Security personnel at the plant said the man showed an Arizona driver’s license that appeared to be fraudulent. According to deputies, the man was interviewed at the scene and he was said to have admitted to using a fake ID and being in the country illegally. Authorities were investigating the construction company that hired him.

Source: <http://ktar.com/22/1577967/Man-with-fake-ID-arrested-at-Palo-Verde-plant>

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

8. *September 28, Buffalo News* – (New York) **Man killed, another hurt at Lackawanna steel plant.** One man died and another was injured after a 3-ton beam fell on them September 26 at the Linita Design and Manufacturing steel plant in Lackawanna, New York. The beam fell from an overhead crane, bounced off the ground and landed on one man, killing him, Lackawanna police said. The steel beam also broke the legs of another worker who was helping the first roll the beam over so it could be welded. He was taken to a hospital and remained in stable condition, hospital officials said. Linita Design was cited for two “serious” violations in 2011 by the federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration, which is investigating the incident.

Source:

<http://www.buffalonews.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20120927/CITYANDREGION/120929170/1003>

9. *September 27, Somerset Daily American* – (Pennsylvania) **Three injured when car rips through Somerset plant wall.** Three people were injured when a car crashed through a wall at the Leiss Tool & Die plant in Somerset Borough, Pennsylvania, September 27. The car landed on top of a station where two men were working. The driver and sole occupant of the vehicle was taken to a hospital. One of the workers was driven to a hospital, and a second man was flown by helicopter to a hospital with what were reported to be serious injuries, police said. The car crossed three lanes of traffic at high speed, drove into and through a parking lot, and into a concrete curb where it crashed through the plant's wall, landing on a piece of equipment inside. The car may have become airborne three times in the course of the crash.

Source: <http://www.dailyamerican.com/news/somerset/da-ot-three-injured-when-car-crashes-through-somerset-plant-20120927,0,6926354.story>

10. *September 27, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency* – (California) **U.S. EPA fines U.S. Pipe Company for hazardous waste violations.** September 27, The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) fined the Union City, California-based United States Pipe and Foundry Company (U.S. Pipe) \$158,000 for improperly managing “baghouse dust,” a hazardous waste containing cadmium and lead generated from iron pipe fabrication. The EPA discovered in an August 2011 inspection that U.S. Pipe had failed to contain the dust, which was found on the ground of the facility. The facility cleaned up the spilled dust and soil where the dust was found, and conducted subsequent sampling to ensure all contamination was removed. Following the EPA’s findings, U.S. Pipe modified its operational practices to minimize the potential for future releases and improved staff training in proper dust management.

Source:

<http://yosemite.epa.gov/opa/admpress.nsf/0/d15b3df523ec563285257a86006553af?OpenDocument>

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

11. *September 27, Associated Press* – (National) **Chinese man charged in NYC carbon fiber sting.** A Chinese national was charged September 26 in U.S. court with trying to broker an illegal deal for large quantities of carbon fiber, a restricted high-tech material used for military purposes. Prosecutors refused to say where and when he was arrested. The defendant made an appearance September 26 in federal court in Brooklyn, New York, on charges he sought the material for a fighter jet in China. A magistrate jailed him without bail. The defense attorney said his client lives in Quanzhou and works for a company that uses carbon fiber in the manufacturing of sports equipment. Authorities say higher-grade carbon fiber is a key component in aerospace and nuclear engineering. That has raised fears that the material could pose a risk if it falls into the hands of military foes or terrorists, and made it the subject of tight Department of Commerce

regulations. A criminal complaint accuses the Chinese national of contacting two Taiwanese accomplices, who already were under investigation in 2012, about buying specialized carbon fiber without an export license. “When I place the order, I place 1 to 2 tons,” the Chinese national allegedly told one of the cohorts in a conversation intercepted in July. The complaint says 1 ton costs about \$2 million. An undercover U.S. agent posing as a seller of carbon fiber later emailed the Chinese national, inviting him to the United States to meet about a possible deal. August 10, the Chinese national told the agent he was the middleman for a customer that “needed a sample of the carbon fiber because it would be used for the test flight of a ‘fighter plane’ on Oct. 5, 2012,” the complaint says.

Source: <http://www.businessweek.com/ap/2012-09-27/chinese-man-charged-in-nyc-carbon-fiber-sting>

12. ***September 27, Federal Computer Week*** – (International) **Cyber era brings new kinds of supply-chain threats.** Problems in the Defense Department’s supply chain are not a new issue, however, the prevalence of digital systems brings a newer kind of threat: one that can be tiny in size but huge in potential impact. It is the risk of electronic components that have been altered to digitally infiltrate U.S. defense systems. The deputy assistant secretary of defense for manufacturing and industrial base policy admitted that Pentagon officials have seen cases of chips with “built-in back doors” that could allow system access for espionage or data theft.

Source: <http://fcw.com/articles/2012/09/27/dod-supply-chain-cyber-era-problems.aspx>

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Banking and Finance Sector

13. ***September 28, Bloomberg News*** – (National) **BofA reaches \$2.43 billion deal with investors over Merrill.** Bank of America Corp. agreed to a \$2.43 billion settlement with investors who suffered losses during its acquisition of Merrill Lynch & Co., resolving one of the biggest legal battles to stem from the takeover, Bloomberg News reported September 28. Bank of America faced regulatory probes, investor lawsuits, and criticism from lawmakers after buying Merrill in January 2009 for \$18.5 billion without warning shareholders about spiraling losses at the brokerage before they voted to approve the deal. Under the settlement, Bank of America promised to overhaul corporate-governance policies. Shareholders sued in 2009 claiming Bank of America failed to disclose information about bonuses to Merrill employees and about the firm’s financial losses in the fourth quarter of 2008.

Source: <http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2012-09-28/bofa-reaches-2-43-billion-deal-with-investors-over-merrill-1-.html>

14. ***September 27, Easton Express-Times*** – (Pennsylvania; New Jersey) **‘Silent Bandit’ to plead guilty to robbing six area banks, his attorney says.** A Bethlehem Township, Pennsylvania man dubbed the “Silent Bandit” signed paperwork admitting he robbed six banks in Pennsylvania and New Jersey in an almost 3-week span, according to his

attorney, the Easton Express-Times reported September 27. The man confessed to the spree that began April 3 and ended when he was arrested April 19 by a Pocono Mountain Regional Police following a robbery, the man's attorney said. Court records show he stole a total of \$12,534 from the six banks. The robber was labeled the "Silent Bandit" by the FBI for allegedly passing a threatening note to tellers. According to records, the man robbed the following banks in Pennsylvania: a KNBT in a Giant grocery store in Bethlehem, a PNC Bank in a ShopRite grocery store in Warminster, a QNB Bank in a Giant in Richland Township, and an ESSA Bank in a Weis grocery store in Mount Pocono. In New Jersey, he robbed a PNC Bank in a ShopRite in Marlton, and a PNC Bank in a ShopRite in Hopewell.

Source: http://www.lehighvalleylive.com/breaking-news/index.ssf/2012/09/silent_bandit_to_plead_guilty.html

15. ***September 27, CSO Online*** – (International) **As promised, hacktivists disrupt PNC Bank.** PNC Bank's Web site was disrupted September 27 by a group of hacktivists who have also claimed responsibility for downing the sites of Wells Fargo and U.S. Bank earlier the week of September 24. The latest attack was identical to the other two in that hundreds of thousands of computers are used to overwhelm the sites' bandwidth, said a security researcher for FireEye. The hacktivists also claim to be behind the distributed denial of service (DDoS) attacks the week of September 17 against Bank of America and JPMorgan Chase, as well as U.S. Bank September 26. PNC confirmed the attack. A spokesman told the Chicago Tribune that the disruption affected some online customers. "We are working to restore full service to everyone," he said. Based on the kind of traffic the FireEye researcher saw, the banks' sites were being overwhelmed by requests from the computers of supporters of the hacktivists. The group has used social networks, including Google+, underground sites, and their own Web site to recruit sympathizers.

Source: <http://www.csoonline.com/article/717493/as-promised-islamic-hacktivists-disrupt-pnc-bank>

16. ***September 27, Help Net Security*** – (International) **Fake Visa/Mastercard 'Security incident' notifications doing rounds.** Bogus emails purportedly sent by the Visa/Mastercard "Identity Theft Department" are targeting the cards' users by trying to convince them that a "security incident" has put their online banking and credit card credentials at risk, Help Net Security reported September 27. Unfortunately for those users who click a link included in the emails, the destination page is a phishing page. "Although the fake form is not hosted on a secure (https) site as all genuine online financial transactions would be, the scammers have made an attempt to make the process seem more authentic by providing a typical image based security code field," Hoax-Slayer reported. "Users who enter the requested details will then be taken to further fake pages that request more financial and personal details. All information submitted on the bogus form will be sent to online criminals and used to make fraudulent transactions in the victim's name."

Source: <http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=13679>

17. ***September 27, Bloomberg News*** – (International) **Yakuza gang targeted with U.S. Treasury Department sanctions.** The U.S. Department of the Treasury said it

imposed sanctions on Japan's second-biggest Yakuza gang for its involvement in weapons and drug trafficking, prostitution, fraud, and money laundering, Bloomberg News reported September 27. The Tokyo-based Sumiyoshi-kai was targeted under an executive order to combat transnational criminal organizations, the Treasury said in a statement. Also sanctioned were the group's leader and his deputy. The U.S. President identified the Yakuza syndicates as transnational criminal organizations in July 2011 and the Treasury has already imposed sanctions on the Yamaguchi-gumi, Japan's largest gang.

Source: <http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2012-09-28/yakuza-gang-targeted-with-u-s-treasury-department-sanctions.html>

18. ***September 27, New York Times* – (Massachusetts) Goldman to pay \$12 million to settle S.E.C. ‘pay to play’ case.** Goldman Sachs September 27 settled federal allegations that one of its investment bankers curried favor with a public official to win lucrative government contracts in Massachusetts. The bank struck a \$12 million settlement with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) to resolve the “pay to play” accusations without admitting or denying guilt. The banker who was a vice president at the firm did not settle with the agency. The SEC’s order suggested the banker helped win government business for Goldman after promoting his ties to the then-Massachusetts treasurer, who was indicted on public corruption charges in April. The banker, the agency said, in essence ran a campaign office for the former treasurer out of Goldman, acting as a fund-raiser and speechwriter during work hours and using the company’s email system and phones. The campaigning, which spanned from 2008 to 2010, also led the banker to indirectly contribute money to the former treasurer. During the same period, the SEC said, the banker began soliciting public contracts for Goldman, a conflict of interest that violates securities laws. Goldman ultimately snared 30 “prohibited” deals to help arrange Massachusetts bond offerings.

Source: <http://dealbook.nytimes.com/2012/09/27/goldman-to-pay-12-million-to-settle-s-e-c-pay-to-play-case/>

19. ***September 27, Lafayette Advertiser* – (Louisiana) Reward offered for bank robber’s arrest.** The man who robbed a bank in Opelousas, Louisiana, earlier in September is now considered a suspect in at least three other area robberies, the Lafayette Advertiser reported September 27. It was believed the suspect had started his crime spree in Opelousas, but a police chief said the man is now considered a suspect in an unsuccessful bank robbery in Alexandria as well. The latest robbery took place at a Regions Bank branch in Broussard September 24. The other two robberies were at separate Whitney Bank locations, the first in Opelousas and the second in Lafayette. An official with the New Orleans FBI office said his agency also considered the crimes related and most likely the work of the same man. In all of the robberies, the suspect walked into the bank and handed a note to a teller demanding money and saying he was armed, though none of tellers reported seeing a weapon. After getting money from the teller and removing the dye pack, the suspect is described as calmly turning around and walking out of the bank.

Source: http://www.theadvertiser.com/article/20120928/NEWS01/209280317/Reward-offered-bank-robber-s-arrest?nclick_check=1

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Transportation Sector

20. ***September 28, KUTV 2 Salt Lake City*** – (Utah) **Utah police kill man in front of Utah television station.** A man claiming he had an explosive device was shot by officers after a standoff September 27 on Main Street in Salt Lake City right in front of the KUTV 2 Salt Lake City Studios. Investigators remained on Main Street September 28 trying to piece together what happened and what led up to the shooting. KUTV 2 Salt Lake City received a phone call from a man claiming he was wired with a bomb and had a detonator at the Gallivan Trax Stop. Police said they also received a call from the man claiming to have a bomb strapped to his body. Police and SWAT Teams responded and shut down many blocks near Main Street. Trax and bus lines were halted. At one point, police also evacuated the newsroom. The Salt Lake City bomb squad sent two robots to detonate the man's bag. Police said the man was holding something in his hand when he was shot. Police did not confirm if explosives were in the man's backpack. Utah Transit Authority temporarily suspended service to Trax trains overnight, but service was fully restored and on schedule as of September 28. Main Street has also been reopened.

Source: <http://www.kmvt.com/news/regional/Utah-Police-Kill-Man-In-Front-Of-Utah-Television-Station-171815391.html>

21. ***September 28, Homeland Security News Wire*** – (California) **BART to adopt earthquake early warning system.** Thanks to assistance from the Berkeley Seismological Laboratory, the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) system can now automatically brake trains when earthquakes threaten to rattle the Bay Area, allowing perhaps tens of seconds to a minute for trains to slow down before the ground starts to shake, Homeland Security News Wire reported September 28. Instituted in August, the earthquake early warning system was created with the help of University of California (UC), Berkeley, seismologists who hooked BART into data flowing from the more than 200 stations throughout Northern California of the California Integrated Seismic Network. “The earthquake early warning system will enable BART to stop trains before earthquake shaking starts, and thereby prevent derailment and save passengers from potential injuries,” said the BART board president. He was joined by a UC Berkeley seismologist who discussed plans for a broader early warning system along the Pacific Coast that would rival Japan’s well-known earthquake early warning system, which not only slows trains but alerts schools and can even automatically shut valves at industrial sites.

Source: <http://www.homelandsecuritynewswire.com/dr20120928-bart-to-adopt-earthquake-early-warning-system>

22. ***September 28, WAVE 3 Louisville*** – (Kentucky) **More than 4 dozen treated after school bus overturns in crash.** At least 50 students were treated after an accident September 28 between a car and a Jefferson County Public Schools (JCPS) bus that overturned in Louisville, Kentucky. The crash was declared a mass casualty incident. The accident was reported at Lower River Road and Moorman Road. The bus involved was carrying students picked up in west Louisville and Portland and was

headed to Frost Middle School. The other vehicle involved was carrying three people, whom officials said were students at Butler High School. According to police, the car was headed west on Moorman Road when it slid into oncoming traffic. The bus rolled over onto its side. Pleasure Ridge Park firefighters and Metro EMS worked to remove the students from the wrecked vehicles and treat the injured at the scene. The chief operating officer of JCPS said 51 JCPS students were transported to hospitals. A Louisville Metro Police spokesman said none of the students on the bus or in the car had serious or life threatening injuries. Lower River Road was reopened to traffic after the bus was righted and towed from the scene.

Source: <http://www.wafb.com/story/19663883/school-bus-overturned-in-accidnet>

23. ***September 28, Wenatchee World* – (Washington) **Blewett Pass highway closed by fire.**** A 25-mile stretch of Highway 97 over Blewett Pass in Washington State was closed September 28 because of fire activity. The roadway was closed from 8 miles south of the Big Y junction with Highway 2 to the junction with Highway 970 in Kittitas County.
Source: <http://www.yakima-herald.com/stories/2012/09/28/blewett-pass-highway-closed-by-fire>
24. ***September 27, WCBS 2 New York* – (New York) **JFK terminal briefly evacuated after agent noticed suspicious-looking paperweight.**** Terminal 4 was evacuated after a security agent noticed a suspicious-looking object in a man's bag shortly after he arrived at New York City's John F. Kennedy International Airport September 27 from Tel Aviv, Israel, authorities said. The customs agent apparently mistook a paperweight for a grenade. "They told us to get out of the terminal. They made us wait for about 30 minutes and then they got us back in," one man told WCBS 880 AM New York. The arrivals area of Terminal 4 remained roped off a few hours after the incident. The man reportedly told authorities the grenade was inert but the area was evacuated as a precaution. Airport officials said they were working to re-open the terminal.
Source: <http://newyork.cbslocal.com/2012/09/27/jfk-terminal-briefly-evacuated-after-agent-noticed-suspicious-looking-paperweight/>

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Agriculture and Food Sector

25. ***September 28, U.S. Department of Agriculture Food Safety and Inspection Service – (National) FSIS expands Public Health Alert for imported Canadian beef from XL Foods.*** September 28, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection

Service (FSIS) expanded the Public Health Alert for XL Foods to include all beef and beef products produced August 24, 27, 28, 29 and September 5. Products subject to the recall include, but are not limited to, steaks, roasts, mechanically tenderized steaks and roasts, and ground beef. The Canadian Food Inspection Agency notified FSIS that XL Foods expanded the recall.

Source: http://www.fsis.usda.gov/News & Events/NR_092812_01/index.asp

26. ***September 27, U.S. Food and Drug Administration – (National) Publix issues voluntary recall on hearts of romaine.*** Publix Supermarkets voluntarily recalled its 10-ounce plastic bags of Publix Hearts of Romaine (Chopped Hearts of Romaine) because they be contaminated with Lysteria monocytogenes, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) reported September 27. Ready Pac is the private supplier of the private label product for the company. The UPC found on the back right hand corner of the package is 41415 03886. Publix received notification of the contamination from the FDA after a routine sample collection. The product was distributed to Publix stores between September 8 and September 20 in select Florida counties, Georgia, South Carolina, Alabama, and Tennessee.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm321496.htm>
27. ***September 27, U.S. Food and Drug Administration – (National) Harry and David, LLC issues voluntary recall of Harry & David brand Crunchy Almond and Peanut Butter, Creamy Banana Peanut Spread, Creamy Rasberry Peanut Spread, and related products due to potential health risk.*** The U.S. Food and Drug Administration reported September 27 that Harry and David, LLC voluntarily recalled its 12-ounce jars of Harry & David Crunchy Almond and Peanut Butter, Harry & David Creamy Banana Peanut Spread, and Harry & David Creamy Raspberry Peanut Spread with best by dates of May 1, 2013 through September 24, 2013, due to possible Salmonella contamination. Also included in the recall are the following multi-component food items: Harry & David Apple Snack Box, Wolferman's Bee Sweet Gift Basket, Wolferman's Hearty Snack Gift Basket, Wolferman's All-Day Assortment Gift Basket, and Wolferman's Father's Day Basket. The recalled peanut butter products were produced by Sunland, Inc. Products subject to this recall were sold nationwide through Harry & David and Wolferman's catalogs and Web sites, and Harry & David stores, between May 1 and September 25. To date, there have been no illnesses or injuries reported in connection with the Harry & David brand recalled products.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm321416.htm>
28. ***September 27, U.S. Food and Drug Administration – (National) Fresh Express recalls limited quantity of expired 18 oz. hearts of romaine salad due to possible health risk.*** Fresh Express Incorporated voluntarily recalled a limited quantity of expired 18-ounce Hearts of Romaine salad with the expired use by date of September 26 and Product Code H256808, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) reported September 27. The product was distributed primarily in the northeast and midwest of the United States. The precautionary recall notification for the now-expired salad is being issued due to an isolated incident in which a sample of a single package yielded a positive result for Listeria monocytogenes as part of the FDA's random sample testing

program.

Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm321480.htm>

29. *September 27, Yakima Herald-Republic* – (Washington) **EPA report points at dairies as likely source of nitrate contamination.** A federal study released September 27 points at five dairies and several farms in the Lower Valley area of Yakima, Washington, calling them “likely” sources of nitrates contaminating private drinking water wells. The report said it could take years to reduce nitrate levels in residential drinking water wells to safe levels due to the extent of contamination in the Lower Valley. Several of the farms’ lagoons were estimated to have leaked millions of gallons of manure into the underlying soil each year. Authors of the report, however, do not blame the region’s entire nitrate problem on the dairies. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) officials are now negotiating a binding agreement with the dairy owners on ways to stop contamination and ensure clean water for downstream wells, and to drill monitoring wells, said the EPA’s Washington operation manager. He added that the agency does not plan to levy fines.
Source: <http://www.yakima-herald.com/stories/2012/09/27/epa-report-points-at-dairies-as-likely-source-of-nitrate-contamination>
30. *September 26, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **General Mills issues voluntary class one recall of one day’s production of Almond Nature Valley Sweet & Salty Nut Granola Bars.** September 26, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration reported that General Mills voluntarily recalled a single day’s production of Almond Nature Valley Sweet & Salty Nut Granola Bars because of a labeling issue. Product produced on this date may have been packaged incorrectly, and may contain allergens not listed on the box’s ingredient label, specifically peanuts. A production error resulted in a limited number of properly labeled, individually wrapped Peanut Nature Valley Sweet & Salty Nut Granola Bar packages being inserted into six-count boxes labeled as Almond Nature Valley Sweet & Salty Nut Granola Bars. The recalled boxes have a better-if-used-by date of February 26, 2013.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm321340.htm>
31. *September 26, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Justin’s announces a voluntary limited recall of certain lots of Classic Peanut Butter 16oz jars and Honey Peanut Butter 1.15oz and .5oz squeeze packs due to possible health risk.** Justin’s announced a voluntary recall September 26 of certain lots of its Classic Peanut Butter 16-ounce jars and Honey Peanut Butter 1.15-ounce and 0.5-ounce single-serve squeeze packs. This recall is in response to the Sunland Inc. recall. Peanuts used in the production of these identified products have the potential to be contaminated with Salmonella. The products were distributed nationally to numerous supermarket chains and were available for purchase on the Internet from July 14 to September 26.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm321511.htm>

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Water Sector

32. ***September 27, WSET 13 Lynchburg*** – (Virginia) **Businesses and residents adapt under boil advisory.** Thousands of Lynchburg, Virginia residents were placed under a boil water advisory after a construction worker hit a water main, WSET 13 Lynchburg reported September 27. That accident left more than 120 streets affected. Lynchburg's Department of Water Resources estimated the potentially contaminated water may not be safe to drink for another 36-48 hours. City officials said until this notice is lifted, all affected residents should boil their water or drink bottled water.
Source: <http://www.wset.com/story/19661557/businesses-and-residents-adapt-under-boil-advisory>

33. ***September 27, WHIO 7 Dayton*** – (Ohio) **Boil advisory in affect in Catawba.** About 300 residents in Catawba, Ohio, were without water September 27 and would need to boil their water for drinking and cooking until further notice after a water main break. A board of public affairs clerk said the break happened while Ohio Edison worked on Champaign Street. "To be able to get it repaired they had to shut some lines down," she said. That caused the water tower to empty. The leak was been fixed and crews started work to refill the water tower. It should be filled by September 28, but residents would need to boil their water until further notice. Next steps included adding chlorine and then taking samples for testing. The water board went door to door to alert residents to the situation.
Source: <http://www.whiotv.com/news/news/boil-advisory-in-affect-in-catawba/nSNqr/>

34. ***September 27, WLTX 19 Columbia*** – (South Carolina) **Boil water advisory issued after water main break.** The city of Columbia, South Carolina, worked to repair a 6-inch water main break on Rosewood Avenue that caused one 10-foot wide hole in the middle of the street, WLTX 19 Columbia reported September 27. The boil water advisory covers the 3900 block of Rosewood Avenue, as well as Thornwood Court from Rosewood Drive to Deerwood Street, and Deerwood Street from Thornhill Court to Rosewood Drive. The city of Columbia Water Works warned area residents that tap water could be contaminated with bacteria due to this water main break. All businesses in the affected area, including food processors and restaurants, should comply with prescribed state recommendations.
Source: <http://www.wltx.com/news/article/203533/2/Boil-Water-Advisory-Issued-After-Water-Main-Break>

35. ***September 27, WJBD 1350 AM/101.1 FM Salem*** – (Illinois) **Entire Iuka water system under boil order when water tower is drained by water line break.** A boil order was issued for the entire Iuka Water System in Illinois. Iuka village officials were alarmed September 27 when a check of the water tower showed it was empty. The problem turned out to be a large water line break that was located a short time later. The waterline was turned off to allow for repairs. That allowed the tower to begin to refill. However, because of the low water pressure created by the draining of the tower, a boil order was issued for the entire Iuka water system until further notice.
Source: http://www.wjbdradio.com/index.php?f=news_single&id=36042

36. *September 27, Tacoma News Tribune* – (Washington) **Feds charge operator with dumping 200,000 gallons of sewage at Mount Rainier.** A treatment plant operator at Mount Rainier National Park in Washington was charged with illegally dumping 200,000 gallons of sewage into the Nisqually River. The suspect was slated to appear in federal court September 28 to enter a plea. He was charged with violating the Clean Water Act. He was the operator in charge of the treatment plant that handles waste from the Paradise Visitor Center and the Paradise Inn. Federal prosecutors alleged that during spring and summer 2011 he failed to properly handle the buildup of solid waste at the plant, which in August 2011 no longer was able to handle incoming wastewater. Because of his “gross mismanagement,” charging papers allege, filters at the treatment plant became clogged and stopped working, filling a tank with sludge. He allegedly tried to cover up his error by routing the waste past the treatment unit and the tank, sending the untreated waste into a drainage ditch. For 4 days, the sewage discharged through a pipe into the ditch, which flows into a waterfall that eventually leads to the Nisqually River. He did not tell anyone what happened, failed to sample the sewage, and did not record it in the plant’s log books, court documents allege. It cost about \$20,000 to clean up the raw sewage that had not yet made it to the river, officials said. Source: <http://www.thenewstribune.com/2012/09/27/2312485/feds-charge-operator-with-dumping.html?storylink=mrc>

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Public Health and Healthcare Sector

37. *September 28, WRTV 6 Indianapolis* – (Indiana) **Homeland security officials investigate substance found at Riley Hospital for Children.** Seven people became ill after a strong odor overtook the emergency room at Riley Hospital for Children September 27 in Indianapolis. The emergency room was evacuated. Indianapolis Homeland Security officials awaited lab results September 28. Four of the seven affected adults were treated and released,” said the hospital CEO. He said the remaining three patients were receiving treatment at another hospital. Indianapolis Fire Department crews also responded. Indianapolis Metro Police Department officers said they were not ruling out criminal activity. Operations within Riley’s ER returned to normal September 28. Source: <http://www.theindychannel.com/news/local-news/homeland-security-officials-investigate-substance-found-at-riley-hospital-for-children>

38. *September 27, WRC 4 Washington, D.C.* – (Virginia) **15 evacuated in nursing home fire.** The Fairfax County Fire Department responded September 27 to calls about a fire at the Arleigh Burke Pavilion Assisted Living Facility in McLean, Virginia. Fifteen residents were evacuated from the building, and others were told to stay in their locations. Fire officials said a dryer in the laundry room caught fire, spreading within the walls of the structure.

Source: http://www.nbcnews.com/id/49196219/ns/local_news-washington_dc#.UGWkza6Wimi

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Government Facilities Sector

39. ***September 28, Reuters*** – (International) **U.S. Cyber Command officer says China is targeting Pentagon computers.** September 27, the U.S. Cyber Command's top intelligence officer accused China of persistent efforts to pierce Defense Department computer networks. He said a proposal was moving forward to boost the cyber command in the U.S. military hierarchy. “Their level of effort against the Department of Defense is constant” while alleged Chinese attempts to steal corporate trade secrets has been growing, the command’s director of intelligence told Reuters after remarks to a forum on the history of cyber threats. The Office of the National Counterintelligence Executive, a U.S. intelligence arm, said in a landmark report a year ago that “Chinese actors are the world’s most persistent perpetrators of economic espionage.” “It’s continuing apace,” the top officer said. “In fact, I’d say it’s still accelerating.” He accused China of trying to exfiltrate Defense Department secrets. Asked whether any classified U.S. networks had been successfully penetrated — something not publicly known to have occurred — he replied: “I can’t really get into that.” A spokesman for the Chinese embassy did not immediately respond to a request for comment. In the past Chinese officials have denied such accusations.

Source: http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2012/09/27/samuel-cox-us-cyber-command-china_n_1921465.html?utm_hp_ref=technology

40. ***September 28, WBAL 1090 AM Baltimore*** – (Maryland) **Student charged in school fire.** In Maryland, a Kent Island High School student was charged with several counts of arson after authorities said he confessed to starting a fire in the boy’s bathroom. The State fire marshal’s office said the September 26 fire caused about \$5,000 in damage. Fire investigators said the student is also charged with reckless endangerment, malicious destruction of property, and disrupting school activities. Fire officials said the student started the fire by igniting paper towels in the boy’s bathroom at the school located in Stevensville. He was released to the custody of his parents.

Source: <http://www.wbal.com/article/94330/3/template-story/Student-Charged-In-School-Fire>

41. ***September 27, Washington Post*** – (International) **Attack on U.S. Consulate in Libya determined to be terrorism tied to al-Qaeda.** U.S. intelligence agencies have determined that the attack on the U.S. mission in Libya involved a small number of militants with ties to al-Qa’ida in North Africa but see no indication that the terrorist group directed the assault, U.S. officials said September 27. The determination reflects an emerging consensus among analysts at the CIA and other agencies that has contributed to a shift among senior Presidential administration officials toward describing the siege of U.S. facilities in Benghazi as a terrorist attack. U.S. intelligence officials said the composition of the militant forces involved in the assault has become clearer and that analysts now think two or three fighters affiliated with al-Qa’ida in the Islamic Maghreb (AQIM) were involved. U.S. officials said a lesser-known Islamist group, Ansar al-Sharia, played a much larger role in sending fighters and providing weapons for the attack, which killed the U.S. Ambassador and three other Americans.

The intelligence picture assembled so far indicates militants had been preparing an assault on the U.S. compound in Benghazi for weeks but were so disorganized that, after the battle started, they had to send fighters to retrieve heavier weapons. U.S. intelligence officials said they think the attack was not timed to coincide with the September 11, 2001, anniversary. Instead, the officials said, the assault was set in motion after protesters scaled the walls of the U.S. Embassy in Cairo as part of a protest of an amateur anti-Islamic YouTube video. The State Department said September 27 that it was pulling more American staff from the U.S. Embassy in Tripoli out of concern for their safety. A State Department official described the reduction as temporary and said the embassy was not being closed.

Source: http://www.washingtonpost.com/world/national-security/attack-on-us-consulate-in-libya-determined-to-be-terrorism-tied-to-al-qaeda/2012/09/27/8a298f98-08d8-11e2-a10c-fa5a255a9258_story.html

42. ***September 27, Associated Press* – (International) Tunisian president vows crackdown on Muslim extremists after U.S. embassy attack.** The newly-elected Tunisian president vowed September 27 to crack down on Islamist extremists after they encouraged crowds to attack the U.S. embassy in the capital Tunis. In separate comments September 27, the Libyan president promised a similar crackdown on extremists in his country, where an attack on a U.S. Consulate led to the death of the U.S. ambassador and three other U.S. officials. The Tunisian president's promised crackdown in Tunisia follows months of struggles by his Islamist-dominated governing coalition to stem a small but aggressive minority of extremists emboldened since the fall of the North African nation's secular dictator in last year's revolution, which kicked off the Arab Spring. The week of September 20, several thousand demonstrators attacked the U.S. embassy, tearing down the American flag and raising one associated with hardline Muslims, while looting and burning buildings. Four demonstrators were killed and dozens injured. The Tunisian president said the crackdown would involve arrests of those planning or involved in violent riots.
Source: http://www.washingtonpost.com/national/on-faith/tunisian-president-vows-crackdown-on-muslim-extremists-after-us-embassy-attack/2012/09/27/80c66ddc-0913-11e2-9eea-333857f6a7bd_story.html

43. ***September 27, Associated Press* – (Kentucky) Guardsman charged in armory thefts.** State police have charged a Kentucky National Guardsman in connection with thefts at an armory in London, Kentucky. A Kentucky State Police spokesman told the Corbin Times-Tribune that the suspect was charged with receiving stolen property under \$10,000 after a 2-month investigation into missing items at the facility. The spokesman said police think the suspect took several items from the armory over a 2-year period and sold them. WKYT 27 Lexington reported that the suspect is a sergeant and one of five full-time employees at the armory that serves 120 soldiers.
Source: <http://www.militarytimes.com/news/2012/09/ap-guardsman-charged-armory-thefts-092712/>

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Emergency Services Sector

44. *September 28, Associated Press* – (North Carolina) **KKK leader in NC convicted on weapons charges.** A Ku Klux Klan leader from North Carolina was convicted on weapons and explosive charges related to a plot to blow up the Johnston County sheriff, the Associated Press reported September 28. A jury convicted the leader on six felony counts the week of September 25, including conspiracy, possession of stolen guns, and receipt of explosives with intent to kill. Prosecutors said the Klansman wanted to kill the sheriff, whom he blamed for the failure of his nightclub. He also blamed the sheriff for the Klan not being permitted to march in Benson's annual Mule Days parade. According to trial testimony, the Klan leader acquired powerful explosives and planned to boat down the Neuse River at night to plant a bomb at the sheriff's office without being seen.
Source: <http://www.fresnobee.com/2012/09/28/3009655/kkk-leader-in-nc-convicted-on.html>

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Information Technology Sector

45. *September 27, Threatpost* – (International) **Cisco patches numerous bugs in IOS, UCM.** Cisco released nine security advisories for various products, including eight for its ubiquitous IOS operating system. Many of the vulnerabilities fixed in the patch release were denial-of-service (DoS) flaws. None of them can give an attacker the ability to run code remotely on affected machines. The one bulletin that does not relate to IOS is for a vulnerability in the Cisco Unified Communications Manager (UCM). That flaw is a DoS bug in the session initiation protocol (SIP) implementation in UCM. SIP is used in a variety of products to help set up voice and video calls on IP networks.
Source: http://threatpost.com/en_us/blogs/cisco-patches-numerous-bugs-ios-ucm-092712

46. *September 27, ZDNet* – (International) **Adobe code signing infrastructure hacked by ‘sophisticated threat actors’.** September 27, Adobe warned that an internal server with access to its digital certificate code signing infrastructure was hacked by “sophisticated threat actors” engaged in “highly targeted attacks.” The compromise, which dates back to early July, led to the creation of at least two malicious files that were digitally signed using a valid Adobe certificate, according to Adobe’s security chief. Although only two files were signed, the hack effectively gave the attackers the ability to create malware masquerading as legitimate Adobe software and signals a raising of the stakes in the world of Advanced Persistent Threats (APTs). According to the security chief, one of the two digitally signed malware files is a utility that extracts password hashes from the Windows operating system.
Source: <http://www.zdnet.com/adobe-code-signing-infrastructure-hacked-by-sophisticated-threat-actors-7000004925/>

47. *September 27, SecurityWeek* – (International) **Building Android malware is trivial with available tools.** Because of readily available tools that enable even a novice

developer to create malicious mobile applications, users should be cautious when downloading and installing mobile apps, especially from non-official App Stores. Developing Android malware to harvest information is a “trivial” task and possible using readily available tools, a security architect and director at Kindsight Security Labs told SecurityWeek. He demonstrated how to inject snippets of code into a legitimate Android application that infected a mobile device with malware. The malware, when executed, connected with a remote command-and-control center and transmitted data from the device.

Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/building-android-malware-trivial-available-tools>

48. *September 27, Threatpost* – (International) **Analysis shows some URL shorteners often point to untrusted Websites.** In an analysis of 1.7 billion shortened URLs, researchers at Web of Trust found that 8.7 percent of TinyURLs and 5 percent of Bit.ly URLs led to sites that received poor ratings for “trustworthiness” and “child protection.” “Certainly the URL shortening services do not intend to point people to malicious websites,” said Web of Trust’s CEO, “but perhaps they can do more to proactively protect their services from being exploited.” Web of Trust goes on to point out that many countries’ TLDs through which link shortening services route traffic are loosely regulated and return suspicious ratings for as many as 90 percent of the Web sites under their top level domains.

Source: http://threatpost.com/en_us/blogs/analysis-shows-some-url-shorteners-often-point-malicious-websites-092712

49. *September 26, SecurityWeek* – (International) **Remote wipe flaw present in other Android devices, not just Samsung.** The security vulnerability that could fully wipe Samsung Galaxy S III device appears to not be limited to just Samsung devices after all, but affects most smartphones running older versions of Android. While a security specialist’s research focused on Samsung Galaxy S III phones, he said the vulnerability was not limited to Samsung devices but affected a wider pool of Android devices. The flaw appeared to originate in older versions of Google’s Android operating system, according to tests run by the Android Police blog.

Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/remote-wipe-flaw-present-other-android-devices-not-just-samsung>

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Commercial Facilities Sector

50. *September 28, KARE 11 Minneapolis* – (Minnesota) **Owner, UPS driver among those killed in Minneapolis workplace shooting.** Family members confirmed that the founder of a Minneapolis sign company was among those dead after a deadly mass shooting September 27. A United Parcel Service driver was also confirmed as one of the shooting fatalities. Four others were rushed to a hospital. A hospital spokeswoman said September 28 one of the injured was in critical condition, another was in serious condition. A third person was treated and released. Current and former employees on the scene said the shooter was an employee who reportedly was fired earlier in the day. A police spokesman said the gunman killed four people and injured four more, three men critically, before he turned the gun on himself. Dozens of police squad cars and SWAT officers swarmed the residential neighborhood on the city's north side after an employee called 9-1-1 to report shots had been fired. The owner was a high profile small business owner who was recently honored by being selected to travel to the White House for a seminar.

Source: <http://www.kare11.com/news/article/992873/391/Owner-UPS-driver-among-those-killed-in-workplace-shooting>

51. *September 28, KVVU 5 Las Vegas* – (Nevada) **Heated pan causes 2-alarm apartment fire.** Investigators said a two-alarm fire at an east Las Vegas apartment complex started from a heated pan on a kitchen stove, KVVU 5 Las Vegas reported September 28. Clark County Fire Department reported the blaze at Sonoma Shadows apartments. The fire took firefighters about 30 minutes to knock down because it spread to the attic of the two-story apartment. The four units on the second floor received extensive smoke and fire damage. The four first floor units sustained water damage. All of the units are uninhabitable and at least 20 occupants were displaced. The Red Cross is working with those who were displaced. Damage was estimated at \$650,000.

Source: <http://www.fox5vegas.com/story/19661243/firefighters-battling-2-alarm-apartment-fire>

52. *September 28, KTVQ 2 Billings* – (Montana) **Laurel auto parts store goes up in flames, investigation to begin Friday morning.** An auto parts store in Laurel, Montana, was a complete loss after fire burned through the business September 27. Police evacuated neighboring businesses Palace Bar Lanes and Fat Jacks Tap Room, while fire crews tried to save nearby buildings. Combustibles within the Laurel Auto Parts store made the firefight even more difficult. Even with help from the Billings and Joliet Fire departments, it took crews nearly 3 hours to bring the flames down to a manageable level. Crews remained on scene September 28. Officials advised people to stay away from the area because the smoke could be toxic.

Source: <http://www.ktvq.com/news/laurel-auto-parts-store-goes-up-in-flames-investigation-to-begin-friday-morning-194560/>

53. *September 28, KFMB 8 San Diego* – (California) **Clean up continues after large water main break.** Water is back on for businesses in the Midway district of San Diego early September 28 after a massive water main break, the day before. Crews were on the scene, trying to fill a massive sinkhole created by the break that occurred September 27 and flooded traffic lanes and parking lots in a bustling commercial district. It took a crew about an hour to halt the deluge, which sent “a lot of water” surging through the area, a San Diego Water Department spokesman said. It was not immediately clear if any structural flooding resulted. The mishap left four businesses, including a motel, temporarily without water service. The Super 8 Motel sustained significant flood damage to at least 15 of its ground-level rooms. The motel’s in-ground pool was also covered with several inches of muddy water caused by the break. All of the motel’s guests relocated. The cause of the 12-inch PVC pipe rupture was under investigation. Water department authorities said the pipe was relatively new.

Source: <http://www.cbs8.com/story/19660430/water-main-break-in-midway>

54. *September 27, Allentown Morning Call* – (Pennsylvania) **Police: Meth lab chemicals spark fire in Lower Macungie mobile home park.** A suspect was arrested September 27 after emergency crews went to his mobile home in Lower Macungie, Pennsylvania, for a fire and found a methamphetamine lab, State police said. He was arraigned on charges of manufacturing meth and risking a catastrophe, among other offenses. He admitted to police he had a meth lab, the police arrest affidavit stated. The township fire chief described the scene as a “vapor cloud.” The Lehigh County emergency operations and training coordinator said the county’s hazardous materials team responded, but the incident was turned over to State police. The county’s clandestine laboratory response team dismantled the lab and collected chemicals used in meth manufacturing, the arrest affidavit said. Nineteen people from 11 other homes were evacuated. The evacuation was later lifted for residents in all of the homes except those on either side of the alleged lab.

Source: <http://www.mccall.com/news/breaking/mc-c-lower-macungie-mobile-home-park-evacuation-20120927,0,5142577.story>

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National Monuments and Icons Sector

Nothing to report

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Dams Sector

55. *September 27, Dayton Daily News* – (Ohio) **Thieves cause \$100K in damage to storm system.** Thieves who stole a vital piece of the Dayton, Ohio storm water control system and caused \$100,000 in damage have set off a thorough check by city workers to determine whether other thefts went undetected, the Dayton Daily News reported September 27. Investigators were not sure when thieves made off with a 700-pound bronze shaft that was 15 feet long and used to control a 10,000-pound flood gate along the Mad River. The theft was discovered the weekend of September 22. DHS was notified, police said. The gate and 115 others like it in the system were engineered to control street storm water runoff to the river. City workers checked all gate installations for other thefts, and the city put the word out to local scrap metal businesses to be on the lookout. The thieves built a special ladder to get into the mechanical workings of the control system inside an underground vault to steal more metal parts.

Source: <http://www.daytondailynews.com/news/news/metal-thieves-cause-100000-to-city-storm-water-con/nSNcH/>

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